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SUBJECT: KADAR- FOCK VISIT ENDS

1. SUMMARY: HUNGARIAN FIRST SECRETARY KADAR AND PREMIER FOCK ENDED THEIR VISIT IN POLAND AND DEPARTED MARCH 16 AFTER TALKS WITH POLISH LEADERS LED BY FIRST SECRETARY GIEREK AND PREMIER JAROSZEWICZ. THE HUNGARIAN GUESTS MAINTAINED A LOW PROFILE WHILE IN WARSAW, AND NEITHER THE MINIMAL PRESS COVERAGE NOR A COMMUNIQUE FILLED WITH SOCIALIST PLATITUDES GAVE MUCH HINT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THEIR DISCUSSIONS. END SUMMARY

2. THE TWO- DAY STAY IN WARSAW OF HUNGARIAN FIRST SECRETARY KADAR AND PREMIER FOCK, BILLED HERE AS A "WORKING VISIT", ENDED MARCH 16. THE KADAR- FOCK PARTY INCLUDED DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE HUNGARIAN CC FOREIGN
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AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT LASZLO PERJESI AND VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL PLANNING OFFICE, JOZEF DRECIN. ALTHOUGH THERE APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN A FULL RANGE OF DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THE HUNGARIAN VISITORS AND THEIR POLISH HOSTS-- LED BY FIRST SECRETARY GIEREK AND PREMIER JAROSZEWICZ-- THE VISIT WAS ACCORDED LITTLE OF THE USUAL FANFARE.

NO CEREMONIAL DINNERS WERE REPORTED, FLAGS WERE SCARCE IN WARSAW AND PRESS REPORTS WERE LIMITED TO NOTES THAT THE TALKS WERE GOING WELL-- ILLUSTRATED BY PICTURES OF THE TWO SIDES SMILING ACROSS THE NEGOTIATING TABLE.

3. THE COMMUNIQUE WAS ALSO LOW KEY. APART FROM A STATEMENT THAT BOTH SIDES WOULD FULFILL THEIR OBLIGATIONS AS MEMBERS OF ICCS IN SEEING THAT THE VIETNAM PEACE AGREEMENT IS PUT INTO EFFECT, IT CONTAINED LITTLE OF INTEREST. THE PRINCIPLES OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE AND THE DESIRABILITY OF EUROPEAN SECURITY WERE MENTIONED IN PASSING, BUT NOTHING WAS SAID SPECIFICALLY ABOUT EITHER MBFR OR CSCE.

4. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH THE TWO SIDES NO DOUBT WERE ANXIOUS TO DISCUSS ICCS, AND ALSO TO COMPARE THEIR EXPERIENCES IN VIENNA AND HELSINKI, WE ARE INCLINED TO THINK THAT THE VISIT, RATHER THAN HAVING ITS ORIGIN IN IMMEDIATE POLITICAL CONCERNS, WAS PART OF THE CYCLE OF CONTACTS BETWEEN EASTERN EUROPEAN LEADERS. HIGH LEVEL POLISH- HUNGARIAN CONTACTS HAVE BEEN COMPARATIVELY RARE IN THE RECENT PAST, ALTHOUGH POLISH PRESIDENT JABLONSKI DID VISIT BUDAPEST IN NOVEMBER. KADAR WAS LAST IN POLAND DURING THE PZPR PARTY CONGRESS IN DECEMBER 1971, AND GIEREK MADE HIS ONLY TRIP TO HUNGARY AS FIRST SECRETARY IN MAY, 1971. THE TIME SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN RIPE FOR A KADAR VISIT.
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